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# Science Olympiad

Science Olympiad was created in 1983 to **increase interest in science and engineering**. The team structure and nature of the Science Olympiad events **promotes communication, problem solving and team building skills** as well as scientific principle application. The Science Olympiad is the only program specifically **cited in the National Research Council National Science Education Standards** as one which helps educators meet their standards, especially regarding inquiry. In a recent NSF study, 90% of student indicated that participation had increased their enjoyment of science and 30 % claimed that participation had improved their science grades.

A student that competed in *Science Olympiad* during her high school years says, "My participation in the *Science Olympiad* **strengthened my desire to study science**. I loved going to *Science Olympiad* because I was able to do **hands-on experiments**, associate with other students interested in science, and explore different fields of science. I expanded my basic knowledge of chemistry and biology to other areas such as geology and astronomy. I am currently **majoring in chemistry, partly because of Science Olympiad.**"

Come join us on  
**Saturday April 1, 2006**

at Weber State University  
for the State Science Olympiad tournament

Visit with student competitors and teacher coaches  
to find out why they think  
Science Olympiad is fun and important.

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## SPECTATOR EVENTS:

Event	Division	Time	Place
Balloon Glider	B	10:50 AM - 3:20 PM	Dee Event Center
Bottle Rocket	B	9:40 AM - 2:10 PM	East Parking Lot
Bridge Building	B	10:50 AM - 3:20 PM	UB 338/340
Horizontal Bottle Rocket	C	10:50 AM - 3:20 PM	East Parking Lot
Mission Possible	B	8:30 AM - 3:20 PM	Ballroom B
Naked Egg Drop	B	12:00 PM - 3:20PM	UB
Robot Ramble	C	10:50 AM - 3:20 PM	Ballroom C
Sounds of Music	B	10:50 AM - 3:20 PM	UB Wildcat Theater
Storm the Castle	B/C	10:50 AM - 3:20 PM	Dee Event Center
Tower Building	C	10:50 AM - 3:20 PM	UB 338/340
Wright Stuff	B	10:50 AM - 3:20 PM	Dee Event Center

## DESCRIPTIONS:

- Balloon Glider: Teams will fly a glider, which they have previously constructed, from a balloon to its maximum flight time.
- Bottle Rocket: Teams will launch rockets they have designed and constructed to stay aloft the greatest amounts of time.
- Bridge Building: Teams will test the strength of the bridge they have designed and built to see if it is the lightest bridge with the highest structural efficiency capable of supporting a load of up to 15 kg over a given span.
- Horizontal Bottle Rocket: Teams will launch two rockets they have designed and constructed to hit nearest to a target.
- Mission Possible: Teams will show their designed, built, tested and documented Rube Goldberg- like device that completes a required task and incorporates up to 24 simple machines connected in a series.
- Naked Egg Drop: A team will construct a device that will be placed on the ground level to prevent an egg from breaking when dropped from increasing heights.
- Robot Ramble: Teams compete with robots they have designed and built that are capable of performing certain tasks on a prescribed playing field.
- Sounds of Music: Teams will play a piece of music on an instrument they have designed and built, as well as answer questions on the principles of music.
- Storm the Castle: Teams compete to see who has designed, constructed, calibrated and can operate a device capable of launching a projectile as far and as accurately as possible using only the energy of a falling counterweight.
- Tower Building: Teams will test their designed and constructed tower to see if it is the lightest tower to hold a maximum load.
- Wright Stuff: Teams have constructed and will fly a rubber-powered model airplane to its maximum flight time.